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Applicant : Michael W. Price, et al  
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Title : Scatter-free UV Optical Fluoride Crystal Elements for <200NM  
Laser Lithography and Methods.  
  
TC/A.U. : 1754  
Examiner : Ngoc Yen M Nguyen  
  
Docket No. : SP02-174

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office action of June 1, 2006, having a shortened statutory period of response set to expire on September 1, 2006. Herein on the last page of this paper applicants request a three (3) month extension of time to December 1, 2006 to respond to the Office Action.

I further regard to the Office Action of June 1, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.